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Title: DYNAMIC ELECTRICALLY ALTERABLE PROGRAMMABLE READ  
ONLY MEMORY DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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When the above-identified patent application is taken up for consideration, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims:

18.(Three times amended) The transistor of claim 28, wherein [the] an area of a capacitor formed by the control electrode, the floating gate, and the intergate dielectric is larger than [the] an area of a capacitor formed by the floating gate, the insulator, and the channel region.

19.(Twice Amended) A transistor comprising:

- a source region;
- a drain region;
- a channel region between the source region and the drain region; [and]
- a floating gate separated from the channel region by an insulator, wherein a barrier energy between the floating gate and the insulator is less than approximately 3.3 eV;
- a control electrode, separated from the floating gate by an intergate dielectric; and
- wherein the intergate dielectric has a permittivity that is higher than a permittivity of silicon dioxide.

29.(Amended) A memory cell comprising:

- a storage electrode [for storing] to store charge;
- a control electrode, separated from a storage electrode by an intergate dielectric; and

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